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IN GIVING, WE RECEIVE

David M. Stowe, Executive Vice-President of the United Church Board for World Ministries, comments on the places and ways beyond our contriving, beyond even our imagining, in which the Spirit works to sustain and enlarge the mission in which the Board participates. He notes one specific instance in which giving and receiving were related.

In 1951, Dr. Charles G. Wharton of South Pasadena, California, a member of the local Congregational Church, made a Conditional Gift to the Board of \$10,000. He was then 69 years old. During the next year the Board paid him \$540. In 1952 he made a second Conditional Gift to the Board of \$20,000.

From 1952 until his death on July 23, 1973, the Board paid Dr. Wharton \$1,620 per year, a total of nearly \$35,000 over 21 years, more than the total of his original gift. However, as Dr. Stowe notes, upon Dr. Wharton's death the Board credited to its unrestricted funds to be used for its programs the accumulated value of Dr. Wharton's gift including the income from its investment, a total of \$95,374.31! All this was the result of an original gift which was more than repaid to the donor during his lifetime!

For information about Conditional Gifts to our national boards, write: Rev. Myles Walburn, Treasurer, UCBWM, 475 Riverside Drive, New York, New York 10027; or Mr. Richard Dubie, Treasurer, UCBHM, 287 Park Ave. South, New York, New York 10010.

Newton S. Holiday Passes

It is with deep sorrow and regret that we announce the death of Newton S. Holiday Sr., on Tuesday, Jan. 22, 1974. Funeral services were held Jan. 25 at Fisk Memorial Chapel, on the Fisk University campus, in Nashville, Tenn.

Mr. Holiday was a leader for many years in the Howard Congregational Church of Christ, Nashville, Tenn., as well as a successful business man.



OGHS-SOS Buys New Tractors For Togo

Do you remember about the "kingdom" that was lost for want of a nail"? The idea is not so far-fetched to people living in areas where mechanization is a new idea. In Togo, for example, a government program in agriculture faltered and was "lost" largely because of a lack of spare parts ("nails").

Recent visitors described dozens of large tractors sitting idly while projected plans for an increased crop remain paper dreams.

Missionary Jim Winter of our United Church Board for World Ministries still sees tractors — though of a smaller, less expensive kind — as important to the agricultural development of Togo. He wrote, "When I first came to Togo five years ago, I had in mind trying animal traction, but our location does not encourage this kind of mechanization. Our people have no history of ever using animal traction or even animals for transport. Secondly, our local animals are too small; we'd have to introduce another breed, a definite hazard." He concluded, "The fact remains that a well-designed twelve-horse-power tractor can do more jobs and do them better than a team of

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THE PRESIDENT VISITS HUNTSVILLE

President Richard Nixon came to Huntsville, Alabama, on February 18, 1974, to deliver a major address at the Annual Honor America Day. The festivities, held at Big Spring Park, were in celebration of the past heritage and future promise of the nation. It was an altogether stirring occasion. Four governors and many senators and congressmen were present, along with a crowd estimated at over 40,000 persons. The most amazing thing of all was that the little 27-member Sertoma Club of Huntsville was responsible for the whole happening, because they were and continue to be dedicated to the hopeful principle upon which our nation is built. The President responded to this central purpose — to honor our past and pray for our future.

Whatever one may think of personalities, the idea is a sound one. That the nation can exist only if it lives up to those principles and finds unity in the midst of diversity, remains a viable and urgent cause. I felt this deeply because I was privileged to conduct live radio communication over WRSA, interviewing a number of the participants and describing for the radio audience crowd reactions and temper. There was noticeable excitement and high anticipation for what the great gathering could mean to all of us if we took the occasion seriously and worked together for the sake of the nation.

The thought struck me: How wonderful it would be if each of our local churches could experience the same excitement and anticipation for the coming of our Lord each Sunday morning. How wonderful it would be if we prepared ourselves as carefully as did the Huntsvillians for the coming of the President!

What a difference it would mean to the life of the church and nation if Christians took the message of salvation given to us by Jesus Christ as the most important event of each week, letting nothing else interfere with it and then having heard it,

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Mr. Peck Called To New Position

The Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of Uplands, Inc., accepted the resignation of Rev. H. Wayne Peck as Director of Development "with profound appreciation for the achievement of growth the institution has experienced during the period of time he has been Executive Director, and wished for his every success in the new enterprise on which he is about to enter." Following a motion to set the date of the effectiveness of his resignation as March 15th, the period of February 15th to March 15th was granted him as vacation. The Board recognized that Mr. Peck has devoted much time and effort to making this unique retirement center known far and wide. It was pointed out that during these eight years the number of staff members at Uplands has increased from 45 to 70. The number of retirees has increased from 28 to 126. Today there are 46 retirement houses, whereas eight years ago there were only 23. In 1966 there were three apartments, none occupied. Today there are 31 apartments, all filled and with a waiting list. In 1966 the total value of all Uplands' property, buildings, and equipment was \$718,425.11. Today it is \$1,530,662.40. The annual budget has increased from \$181,401.29 to \$445,507.00. Contributions from Support Area Churches have increased from \$25.00 in 1966 to \$15,246.03 in 1973, with contributions from all sources increasing from \$4,386.31 to \$26,588.66 during the same time.

Mr. Peck plans to leave Uplands in March in order to begin his new responsibilities as Area Counsellor on the national staff of the 17-76 Achievement Fund of the United Church of Christ. The goal of this fund is to raise \$17,000,000 by 1976 to benefit the six colleges of the American Missionary Association in the U. S. A. and several schools of higher education in other parts of the world.

Good News About Family Thank Offering

For the second year in a row the Family Thank Offering has surpassed that of the previous year:

1973 — \$273,775.50
1972 — \$264,297.32
Increase — \$9,478.18

The amount sent in to this "over-and-above" part of Our Christian World Mission from the Southeast Conference was \$1,511.21. This was an increase of \$625.06 over last year.

DR. S. L. JOHNSON Writes

The annual meeting of Pilgrim Church, Birmingham, Ala., on January 16th was one of the best attended church meetings I have seen since I came as minister. At the close of my formal report, I read the following letter:

"Will you please accept my resignation, effective August 1, 1974, at which time I wish to retire from the active ministry. I will then have completed forty years as a parish priest. This will allow the church plenty of time to carefully select a pulpit committee, without any feeling of being rushed, and then search the country, if necessary, to find a successor.

"Alice wishes to resign as secretary of the church at that same time. I wish to assure all of you, and some of you in particular, that this is following a timetable Alice and I set up for ourselves a long time ago. We are in the process of building a house; in fact, we selected our lot and first consulted our house designer in 1972. We intend to continue our lives in Birmingham which we love so deeply."

Our new home is being built in the Fair Haven complex at 1430 John Wesley Circle. We invite you to do as several have already done, go look at it. Construction has been greatly slowed by the rain so we cannot say with any certainty when it will be ready for occupancy. At least we will be out of the parsonage in plenty of time for the church to do the large amount of work that will be necessary before asking another minister to live there.

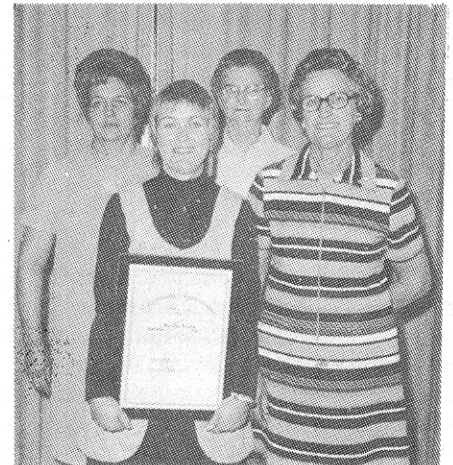
The Confirmation Class At Pilgrim

The 1974 Confirmation Class of Pilgrim Congregational Church, Birmingham, Ala., first studied the ancient creeds and the Statement of Faith of The United Church of Christ. Then, each wrote a personal statement. After all of this, the group cooperatively designed the following:

"We believe in God who made everything. He leads us away from wrongdoing. He teaches us good and the way of duty. He sent Jesus to set an example. He gives us and shows us love. Out of His teachings grew the church for all people."

Congratulations to Vaughn Hall, son of Rev. and Mrs. Walter Hall of Pleasant Hill Community Church! Vaughn was a semi-finalist in the National Merit Scholarship competition. He is president of the Beta Club, a member of the Environmental Action Club, captain of the Band-Flag Corps, and was voted "the most studious" by his senior class. Vaughn plans to attend Berea College next year.

Blackwood Church Helped By Improvement Club



Repairs and improvement to the Blackwood parsonage, Headland, Alabama, in the amount of \$3900, was the biggest project reported by the Blackwood Community Improvement Club. Top award winner at the seventeen-county district awards program in 1973, the above picture shows those accepting the award: (l to r) Mrs. Merwin Johnson; Mrs. Neal Owens; Miss Dora Brackin, president of the club; and Mrs. Harzie Chancey. Miss Brackin was the only club representative from any community on the program, and she spoke on "Why a Community Club?"

Repairs to the parsonage, which had been badly damaged by termites were: a completely new and adequate wiring system, improved plumbing, adding a second floor, paneling the six rooms, and remodeling the kitchen. Members of the church did most of the labor.

MISSION PRIORITIES ELECTS OFFICERS

The Rev. Dr. Charles L. Burns Jr., Orlando, Fla., chief executive of the Florida Conference of the United Church of Christ, is the new chairman of the Council on Mission Priorities of the United Church of Christ.

His election came at the close of the annual meeting of the 70-member council in New Orleans. The Rev. Dr. Charles E. Cobb, executive director of the Commission for Racial Justice, was elected vice-chairman.

The Council on Mission Priorities is responsible for developing and recommending program and budget priorities for regional, national and international missions of the United Church of Christ.

WATCH FOR NEW MATERIAL!

Before the end of March every local church will receive (if all goes well with CLLW and the U. S. mails) some new "Adventures in Faith" related to faith-morality-values. These come in response to requests from local church members who are searching for a way to live meaningful lives in the midst of the complex issues which face our nation today.

The process for developing these resources was this:

(1) "Think Tanks" of concerned persons (seminary professors, college professors, government and business leaders) were held in New York, Washington, D. C., Durham, N. C., and San Francisco.

(2) Findings from these sessions — in the form of issues raised, assumptions about the relationship of local churches and those issues, some suggested strategies — were reviewed in a session in St. Louis in February, in which CLLW members and staff, educators, seminar-ians were involved. This group developed new resources.

(3) In a selected group of local churches across the country (small and large, rural and urban) these were tested later in February.

(4) Put into final shape in March, they will be printed and mailed to all local churches.

The Council for Lay Life and Work hopes this will provide ways to "dig in" to timely issues using the Faith Exploration format and this help local church members and their friends to relate values to issues facing us today.

East Ala. Association Executive Committee

The East Alabama Association Executive Committee met in Roanoke February 2 and transacted many items of business. Among the decisions made were:

1. The election of Mrs. E. G. Adamson as Recording Secretary.
2. Election of Mrs. E. G. Adamson to the Southeast Conference Board of Directors.
3. Provision for the safe keeping of Association properties.
4. Approval of bond for Association officers through the Southeast Conference.
5. Voted to establish an Association Library to be located in Roanoke First Church.
6. Appointment of an Association Constitution Revision Committee: Olin E. Sheppard, Harold N. Auler, J. K. Murphy, Joe A. French, and Warren A. Blankenhorn. The committee will report to the October annual meeting. The last published constitution is in the 1953 minutes of the Association.

At The Huntsville Youth Conference



The above picture shows a group discussion being held in the Huntsville, Alabama, United Church — scene of the Mini-Youth Conference, January 11-13.

Cathy Dollard of Huntsville and president of the Ala.-Tenn. group, gave the opening speech. About 60 were present to enjoy the weekend event.

THE BIBLE AND SHALOM

The SHALOM Curriculum offers the best of two approaches to the educational needs of the local church. The first recognizes the need and desire to establish the Bible as the central focus of the educational mission. The second sees the importance of finding new ways to unify formal teaching with other aspects of the church's life and ministry.

By aiming for SHALOM, this curriculum grounds its goals in the Biblical faith. By taking the total life of a congregation as the context for education, it makes possible a positive program to enable and equip children, young people and adults to be faithful to the gospel.

Two brief resources can be obtained to further develop understanding of the Biblical perspective: SHALOM IN THE NEW TESTAMENT by Paul L. Hammer, and SHALOM IN THE OLD TESTAMENT by Hugh C. White, can both be ordered (sample copies free) from the Division of Publication, 1505 Race St., Phila., Pa. 19102.

Scout News From Bonanza Church

We have had four of our young men to complete their study for their God and Country Award. These boys are: Ricky and Jimmy Woolbright, David Quick and Eddy Northway.

David Quick should soon receive his Eagle Award. Eddy Northway is working on his and should receive it in the near future.

We now have over 30 boys in our Scout troop! Matt Thomaston is the Scout master and doing a fine job, but he needs help. Try to work with 30 boys at one time and see how you come out!

NEW OFFICERS IN E. ALA.



L-R: Joe A. French, moderator; Mrs. E. G. Adamson, secretary; Ross McCormack, treasurer; Wallace Roberts, vice-moderator.

The East Alabama Association Executive Committee, at their meeting on Feb. 2, 1974, elected Mrs. E. O. Adamson as the new Recording Secretary to replace Paul Beaird, who died Dec. 31, 1973.

Mrs. Adamson's address is: Route 1, Box 39, Glenn, Ga. 30219. Her telephone number is: 1-205-885-6568.

Serving with the officers on the Executive Committee are:

J. K. Murphy, Chm. Christian Education Committee;
Harold N. Auler, Chm. of Church & Ministry Committee;
Odell Yancey, Chm. of Outreach Committee
Warren A. Blankenhorn, Southern Ala. Area Minister;
David W. Chandler, Moderator of Southern Alabama Council

Youth Stage "Gentle Revolution" At Pilgrim

"The Gentle Revolution", a sermon-play from multi-media youth materials produced by United Church Press and Avant Garde Records, was the highlight of Youth Sunday Service at Pilgrim Church, Chattanooga. Other portions of the service included dialogue prayer and a contemporary song which happens also to be in our hymnal.

Participants in the service: David Andrae, Karla Barnes, Len Bullock, Geoffrey Cox, Sherra Deierhoi, Pete Griffith, Vanessa Robbs, Vicki Slagle, David Wagner, and Dr. Beebe.

Youth Sunday was held at its February location of some years ago rather than the current fall date because of our fall Christian Enlistment.

PRESIDENT (From Page 1)

applied it seriously to their daily lives together! Just think, if 27 men can make such a contribution to Huntsville in the name of the President, how much greater contribution can Christians make to their communities in the name of Jesus Christ! It's simply a matter of commitment.

—Henry W. Tuttle

OVERSEAS OPPORTUNITIES IN EDUCATION AND MEDICINE

A Junior and Senior High Music Teacher for Girls' Academy in Turkey, one Physical Ed. teacher, and one Home Ec. teacher, one teacher in Biology (1 year), (both in Turkey) and one teacher in American or English Literature in Japan are listed by: The United Church Board for World Ministries, 475 Riverside Dr., Room 1373, New York, N. Y., 10027, Att. Rev. Neill Richards. Also on the list are a physician-surgeon or a physician with Public Health interest for Rhodesia and a business manager for a 49-bed hospital in Turkey. Most of these are for 3 years.

The United Methodist Church, Board of Global Ministries, 475 Riverside Dr., Room 1373, New York, N. Y. 10027, needs three surgeons, in Algeria, Central Zaire, and Liberia, for 3 years, and two nurse teachers, Mozambique and Zaire, for three years.

The Lutheran Division for World Mission & Ecumenism, 231 Madison Ave., New York, N. Y. 10016: a nursing instructor for a college nursing school in Suakoko, Liberia.

Listed by the American Baptist Board of International Ministries, Valley Forge, Pa., 19481, is: a maintenance engineer with college degree to work in Zaire.

The Church of the Brethren, 1451 Dundee Avenue, Elgin, Illinois 60120, lists: need for two medical laboratory technicians, one in Puerto Rico and one in Garkida, Nigeria, each for two years.

Further information, including telephone numbers and names to contact are available at the Conference office.

Our Board for World Ministries reports higher costs and fewer missionaries for 1974. As 1974 begins, there are 231 missionaries provided for in BWM's budget, compared to 251 in 1973.

It is becoming too expensive because of rising costs, inflation, and devaluation for the Board to pay full missionary salaries. A saving factor is the number of people now serving in the "Associate" and "Affiliate" categories, UCC members employed overseas in other positions and working without pay from the UCBWM.

Faith Exploration: What Did We Learn?

Representatives from 38 UCC conferences, plus UCC Council for Lay Life & Work members and staff met in Union, Mo., March 4-6 to develop a plan for a six-month evaluation of Faith Exploration.

The Faith Exploration program began two years ago and has received \$78,000 in priority funds. Mrs. Trudi Sanford represented the Southeast Conference at this meeting.

CHRISTIAN ENLISTMENT HELPS LOCAL CHURCH

The Christian Enlistment is the effort of a local congregation of the United Church of Christ to secure money and personal skills for the church's work in the coming year. But this is not all that it is. Just as importantly, the Christian Enlistment is a way of strengthening the congregation's entire program.

Through an Enlistment a congregation can engage its members in making responsible program decisions, tell the story of the church's work in a meaningful way, explore the meaning of stewardship, and solicit the entire membership's support for work to be done in the next year through the giving of both money and ability.

A brand new revision of the *Guide for the Christian Enlistment* is now available from the Stewardship Council. This guide divides the Enlistment process into five phases which are appropriate whether a church is rural or urban, poor or rich, new or old, large or small. Each of the phases is described in a separate folder. For best results, the Stewardship Council recommends that a congregation use the entire five-phase process, a procedure which requires about ten months. Abbreviated usage, however, is possible, although not recommended.

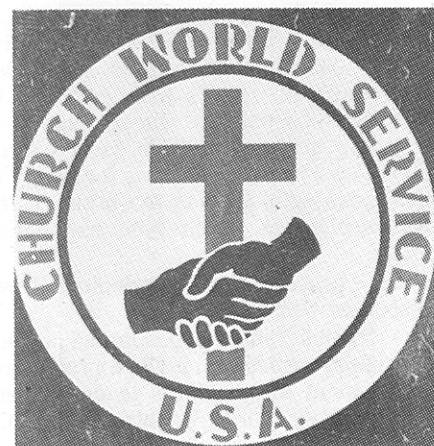
Copies of the *Guide* are available at \$2.00 each from the Stewardship Council, 1505 Race Street, Philadelphia, Pa. 19102.

Pilgrim Day School Has Family Life Education

Recognizing the family as being of primary importance to the young child and accepting responsibility, as teachers, toward the growth of the child's personality, Pilgrim Congregational Day School in Birmingham is sponsoring a FAMILY LIFE EDUCATION program for parents of young children. Dr. John H. Wiley Jr., Director of the Foundation for Pastoral Counseling, conducts the sessions. His topics are: Family Systems, Knowing and Meeting Individual Needs, and Self-Differentiation.

Dr. Wiley is one of the most outstanding counselors on family and personal relationships in the state. In addition to his private practice in Birmingham, he conducts Family Life Education Programs, workshops on Drug Abuse Education, and serves as personal and group counselor at the Rehabilitation Unit in the city jail.

Cooperation Succeeds In One Great Hour



"In union there is strength." This is true not only in our national life but also in ministering to victims of disaster, refugees, social-service programs for the needy, and activities for all sorts of people. The United Church of Christ has been in the vanguard of such "union" efforts through interchurch cooperation. By joining with other denominations we have been able to accomplish more than we could possibly have done alone.

Seventy-five percent of the money given through the One Great Hour of Sharing-SOS all-church offering and through gifts directed to the Division of Service of the United Church Board for World Ministries is put to work through ecumenical agencies. In effect, the UCBWM is a part of Church World Service; and Church World Service is an important part of UCBWM.

The church is to be found almost everywhere in the world. When disaster strikes, the churches in that area communicate with the Commission on Inter-church Aid and Refugee Service of The World Council of Churches or through sister churches in the United States then communicate with Church World Service of the National Council of Churches (U. S.

TRACTORS (From Page 1)

oxen . . . I feel our situation in Togo calls for tractor power!"

In ordering new, smaller tractors, he included a long list of spare parts for each tractor, a dozen items adding an additional \$193 to the cost of each tractor, so the program would not be lost "for want of a nail."

Both the purchase and the shipment of the tractors were made possible in large part by funds given to the One Great Hour of Sharing-SOS all-church offering. In addition, directed gifts of \$6,200 were given towards the purchase of five tractors and spare parts, the total cost of which amounted to \$13,505.

SHORT NOTES

Jackson Named To Head

Kansas-Oklahoma Conference

Norman W. Jackson, a professor at Eden Theological Seminary, Webster Groves, Mo., has been elected minister of the UCC Kansas-Oklahoma Conference.

Mr. Jackson is the first person of American-Indian ancestry to become a conference minister.

Task Force Acts

On Household Workers

The UCC Task Force on Women in Church and Society has called on church women who employ household workers to pay those employees "at least \$3.95 an hour."

The Ninth General Synod endorsed a guaranteed annual income of \$7,214 for a family of four, which is \$3.95 an hour for a five-day, seven-hour-a-day work week for one job holder.

In a resolution adopted at its recent meeting in New York, the Task Force also asked church women to provide their household employees with Social Security, sick leave, paid vacations and other regular benefits of employment.

It urged women employers to give "special attention during the energy crisis to the transportation problems of household workers who live in areas where mass transportation is unavailable and auto travel has been curtailed."

17-76 Contributions Hit

\$60,000 By Year's End

More than \$600,000 in cash and pledges had been contributed to the 17-76 Achievement Fund by the end of 1973, according to 17-76 Director Ford Forsythe. Active campaigning is just getting under way. Goal for the three-year campaign is \$17 million. The money will aid six UCC-related black colleges in the U. S. and Overseas educational institutions related to the UC Board for World Ministries.

Seminarians' Enrollment Up 7%

Enrollment of UCC affiliated students in seminary is up 7.4 percent over 1973, from 687 to 733, according to the Council for Church and Ministry.

The increase is largely due to enrollment of women as candidates for the ministry, up 65 percent from 95 to 147 students.

679 (72 percent) of the UCC students attend one of 14 UCC-related theological schools. The remaining 264 attend one of 44 other seminaries.

Here Are Official Actions On 17-76 Fund

I. General Synod Action:

Whereas there is a dire financial need of the six black colleges related to the United Church of Christ through the American Missionary Association; and

Whereas there is a financial crisis in all such institutions around the world which are dealing with racial justice,

Therefore, Be It Resolved:

That the Eighth General Synod of the United Church of Christ directs the Executive Council in cooperation with the Council on Mission Priorities, Instrumentalities, and Conferences, shall negotiate for each year of 1972 and 1973 loans not to exceed \$1,500,000 designated for the A. M. A. colleges; and

That the campaign receipts up to the full amount thereof be distributed as follows:

1. Payment of all campaign costs.
2. 75 percent to A. M. A.-related colleges.
3. 20 percent to the United Church Board for World Ministries for educational enterprises serving racial justice overseas.
4. 5 percent of the amount raised in each Conference shall be credited to that Conference and, at its option, may be utilized for racial minority scholarships or designated for the A. M. A. related colleges.

The Eighth General Synod further directs the Executive Council to pay principal and interest on the loans negotiated for emergency financial needs of the six A. M. A.-related colleges from the portion designated for those colleges.

II. Southeast Conference Action:

The Board of Directors recommended to the Southeast Conference "that the Conference undertake the 17-76 Achievement Fund in 1974-75, with accepted goals of \$70,461 (Primary) or \$89,455 (Challenge)." The Conference adopted the recommendation on June 16, 1973, at the annual meeting at Southern Union College, Wadley, Alabama.

III Franklin Thomas and a small committee were asked to do pre-campaign planning.

"WE . . .

Strangers No Longer"

The above (from Ephesians 2:19) forms the basis for the worship-program book in LAITY RESOURCES FOR 1974-75, the first packet of which will be available March 1. An additional packet will be mailed in June.

Related to the above theme will be a "WE" pin and card, decal, personal poster, Bible study suggestion folder, and two new "Adventures in Faith." Another feature is a folder entitled "Mission in Action" which contains case studies of two churches, as well as materials to promote outreach. A Friendship Press catalog carries material on three emphases: Global Consciousness; Faith-Life Crisis; Human Development in North America. There are also listed materials on Middle East: Dilemma for Christians.

Those who wish LAITY RESOURCES to use in spring workshops (as the basis for local church programs beginning next fall) should order immediately. The two packets will be \$5, which should be sent with your order to Central Distribution Service, Box 7286, St. Louis, Mo. 63177.

ST. JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH, CULLMAN, had its young people in Pleasant Hill, Tenn., recently for a weekend, and they reported a wonderful time. The accommodations were very good and they enjoyed The Renegade Ski Resort. They sang in the Community Church at Pleasant Hill and church people and pastor were pleased. Only set-back was that one of the cars broke down and two boys had to stay in Tennessee until Monday night for the car to be fixed.

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Receipts For Our Christian World Mission

1973 Basic Support

Alpine, King's Chapel	100.00
Ambrose Christian	70.00
Andalusia, Antioch	591.00
Andalusia, First	50.00
Arley, C. C.	79.51
Athens, Trinity	100.00
Atlanta, Central	9,480.00
Atlanta, First	6,060.00
Atlanta, Rush Memorial	1,050.00
Baker, Byron Chapel	66.00
Barnesville, Fredonia	300.00
Beachton, Evergreen	207.00
Belvidere, United	2,814.31
Birmingham, First	575.90
Birmingham, Pilgrim	3,950.00
Braselton, Macedonia	240.00
Caddo, C. C.	100.00
Charleston, Circular	325.00
Charleston, Plymouth	684.76
Chattanooga, First	300.00
Chattanooga, Pilgrim	6,986.15
Clio, New Hope	300.00
Columbus, United	300.00
Crossville, First	1,300.00
Cullman, St. John's	2,200.00
Dadeville, Elder	500.00
Deer Lodge, Congregational	324.46
Demorest, Federated	900.00
East Tallassee, C. C.	750.00
Garden City, Congregational	210.00
Glen Mary, Congregational	90.00
Haleyville, Union Grove	400.00
Hanceville, Mt. Grove	120.00
Headland, Blackwood	500.00
Houston, Liberty Hill	10.00
Huntsville, United	350.00
Jonesboro, Bonanza	1,455.00
Knoxville, Church of the Sav.	553.60
LaGrange, United	1,000.00
Lanett, C. C.	4,550.00
Langdale, C. C.	3,300.00
McIntosh, Midway	600.00
Marion, First	50.00
Montgomery, First	400.00
Moulton, Jones' Chapel	100.00
Nashville, Brookmeade	650.00
Nashville, 1st E & R	3,250.00
Nashville, Howard United	200.00
Phenix City, First	625.00
Pine Mountain, Oak Grove	1,400.00
Pisgah	200.00
Pleasant Hill, Community	1,852.00
Richland, First	25.00
Roanoke, Antioch	350.00
Roanoke, Bethany	100.00
Roanoke, First	450.00
Roanoke, Lowell	720.00
Roanoke, New Hope	350.00
Roanoke, Rock Stand	250.00
Robbins, Barton Chapel	175.00
Savannah, First	800.00

Shawmut, Todd	1,040.00
Talladega, United	200.00
Thomasville, Bethany	231.00
Tougaloo, Union	175.00
Town Creek, Old Liberty	130.00
Wadley, Christian	360.00
Wadley, Corinth	225.00
West Point, Bethel	208.00
Woodbury, Jones Chapel	200.00

SING FOR JOY

Basic Support receipts in the Southeast Conference for Our Christian World Mission for 1973 were up 6.8 percent over 1972. The total giving of the churches to O. C. W. M. Basic Support, was \$60,062.23 in 1973 as compared to \$56,223.31 in 1972.

The Southeast Conference sends 25 percent of the O. C. W. M. Basic Support, \$15,204.91 in 1973, to the national church treasurer for our mission outreach beyond the Southeast Conference and retains 75 percent for Conference programs, projects, administration, and ministry to and for local churches.

The O. C. W. M. Basic Support giving in 1973 by associations was:

Alabama-Tennessee	\$27,005.21
North Alabama	1,039.51
Central Alabama	750.00
East Alabama	7,219.70
South Ala.-N. W. Fla.	1,507.00
Georgia-South Carolina	22,540.81
	\$60,062.23

Thanks to one and all. Let us rejoice and sing.

Southern USA

A Tour to Visit Our A. M. A. Colleges

Most of the church is now aware of the 17-76 campaign to raise funds for higher education here and abroad. The 17-76 fund has, at the suggestion of a number of conferences, asked for a tour to visit the A. M. A. colleges. However, this tour will be much more than a tour of buildings. It will be an opportunity to meet the students and leadership of the colleges, to share in their accomplishments, learn about the Negro culture in our country, visit where a significant archive of historic records is kept.

The tour will begin in Nashville, continue to Memphis, New Orleans, Biloxi, Talladega, and end back in Nashville. The colleges to be visited are Fisk, Lemoine,

EVENTS FILL COMING MONTHS

March 1 — Committee on 17-76 Campaign, Dobbs House, Atlanta, Airport. 11 A. M. - 3 P. M.

— WORLD DAY OF PRAYER —

March 8-9 — Executive Council, Ga.-SC Assoc.

March 13 — Ga.-SC Com. on Church and Ministry, Atlanta, 1st Ch. 3 P. M.

March 15-16 — Uplands Bd. of Directors 2 P. M. March 15-Noon, March 16

March 18, 6 P. M. CDST — Minister's at Tara Restaurant, Roanoke

March 24 — One Great Hour of Sharing-SOS All-Church Offering

March 30 — Installation of Rev. Warren Blankenhorn, Oak Grove Church, 2 P. M.

March 31, 1:45 P. M. CDST — East Alabama Women's Rally, Roanoke Lowell Church

April 5-6 — So. Ala. Area Youth Mini-Camp, Camp Grandview, New Prattville, Alabama

April 7 — Palm Sunday

April 11 — Maundy Thursday

April 12 — Good Friday

April 14 — Easter Sunday

April 15-16 — Georgia Interchurch Assoc. at St. Simon's Island

April 15, 22; May 6, 13, 27, 7:30 EDST — Lay Ministers at LaGrange College

April 19-21 — Youth Mini Conf., Pilgrim, Chattanooga

April 20 — So. Ala. Area Council at Kokomo Restaurant, Montgomery, 10 A. M.

April 25, 26, 27 — Junior Youth Camp at Roosevelt Park

April 26-28 — Camp Calvin Workshop on Strengthening the Local Church

May 5 — Centennial Observance by St John's Church, Cullman, Ala.

May 18, 6 P. M. CDST — East Alabama Laymen's Fellowship, Shawmut Todd Church

June 8-9 — Southeast Conference Annual Meeting, Talladega College

October 16 — East Alabama Assoc. with Roanoke Lowell Church

October 17 — East Alabama Assoc. with Pleasant Grove Church

Talladega, Tougaloo, Dillard.

Don't be misled — we will also visit such places as the French Quarter in New Orleans. It's a great way to go South!

May 4-11, Price Pending

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